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SUBJECT:CCD - ENMOD NEGOTIATIONS: MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES

REFS: A. GENEVA 6651 B. GENEVA 6686

1. REVIEW CONFERENCE: DEL MAY ACCEPT COMPROMISE FORMULA FOR REVIEW CONFERENCE ARTICLE PROPOSED BY INDIA (PARA 16 REF A) AND REPORTED PARA 11 REF B (I.E., CONVENING OF A REVCON AFTER TEN-YEAR INTERVAL IF SUPPORTED BY ONE-THIRD

OF PARTIES OR TEN PARTIES, WHICHEVER IS LESS. SINCE ONE-THIRD WOULD BE LESS THAN TEN ONLY IF THERE WERE BETWEEN 20 AND 27 PARTIES, AND SINCE THE FIRST POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF THIS PROVISION WOULD BE FIFTEEN YEARS AFTER CONVENTION'S ENTRY INTO FORCE (WHEN THERE WOULD PRESUMABLY BE MORE THAN 27 PARTIES) DEL MAY ALSO ACCEPT SIMPLE REFERENCE TO TEN PARTIES IF THIS IS PROPOSED AND GENERALLY PREFERRED

2. PREAMBLE: DEL MAY ACCEPT REPLACEMENT OF WORD "LIMIT" (THE ARMS RACE) IN FIRST PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH WITH WORD SUCH AS "HALT" OR "END;

3. WITH RESPECT TO FRG PROPOSAL TO DELETE PHRASE

"MILITARY OR ANY OTHER" FROM PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH 5 (PARA 3 REFTL), WE BELIEVE PREAMBULAR LANGUAGE SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH PHRASING OF ARTICLE I.

4. TITLE: WE BELIEVE THE PRESENT TITLE IS PROPER AND APPROPRIATE, SINCE IT REFLECTS OUR VIEW THAT THE CONVENTION PROVIDES AN EFFECTIVE AND PRACTICAL APPROACH TO OVER-COMING THE DANGERS OF THE HOSTILE USE OF ENMOD TECHNIQUES. NONETHELESS, WE WOULD NOT WANT THE TITLE TO BECOME THE SOLE IMPEDIMENT TO ACHIEVING AGREEMENT ON AN OTHERWISE ACCEPTABLE TEXT, AND WOULD THUS BE WILLING TO AGREE TO MODIFICATION TO "CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF MILITARY OR ANY OTHER HOSTILE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION TECHNIQUES HAVING WIDESPREAD, LONG-LASTING, OR SEVERE EFFECTS" OR "CONVENTION ON THE LIMITATION (OR RESTRICTION) OF MILITARY OR ANY OTHER HOSTILE USE OF CONFIDENTIAL

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ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION TECHNIQUES" AS PART OF AN OVER-ALL AGREEMENT ONCE OTHER OUTSTANDING ISSUES, IN PARTICULAR ARTICLE I, ARE SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED. WE BELIEVE A TITLE SUCH AS "CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION (OR PROHIBITION) OF ENVIRONMENTAL WARFARE" WOULD BE UNDESIRABLE IN VIEW OF THE CONVENTION'S APPLICABILITY TO ACTIONS WHETHER OR NOT A FORMAL STATE OF WAR EXISTS. IN A-

NY EVENT, WE WOULD NOT WISH TO AGREE TO A DIFFERENT
TITLE UNTIL THE OTHER ISSUES ARE SETTLED. KISSINGER

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